

**PROPOSED CHANGES IN METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENT RATES**

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES**

HFS intends to issue a public notice in alignment with federal requirements at 42 CFR 447.205 on administrative changes in the authority to provide certain services currently approved under the Illinois “Behavioral Health Transformation” Section 1115 Demonstration (Project No: 11-W-00316/5). Notice will be published on the state’s designated webpage for HFS Public Notices where beneficiaries, providers and other stakeholders have the opportunity to review (and comment if applicable) on such changes.

The section 1115 demonstration services listed below will be transitioning from the demonstration into other program authorities by the listed date – either to Medicaid state plan authority or continued with state-only funding. As articulated in the state’s section 1115 extension application, the authority for the below service pilots is being transitioned out of the section 1115 demonstration but will be continued (as currently approved under the demonstration) under other program authorities as follows:

State Plan Transition:

- Peer Recovery Support Services SPA was already approved with SPA 23-0012
- Crisis Intervention Services: effective 4/1/2024
- Evidence-Based Home Visiting Services: effective 4/1/2024

State-only funding:

- Clinically Managed Withdrawal Services: Low utilization experience under the demonstration. The Department of Human Services Substance Use Prevention and Recovery (SUPR) will cover both Medicaid and non-Medicaid patients who meet the ASAM criteria for this level of care. SUPR will fund these services through their contract (State) funds effective 1/1/2024.

This is purely an administrative change in authority, Medicaid members who are currently eligible and/or are receiving the benefits provided under these programs will remain unaffected. No new applications will be required by Medicaid members who are currently enrolled – they will continue to receive services in the same manner under the new authorizing program authorities.

HFS provided the public opportunity to comment on these administrative changes in response to the draft section 1115 extension proposal published in May 2023, for a 30-day public comment period that ran from May 12, 2023 through June 12, 2023. No public comments were received on this aspect of the proposal. HFS has already provided notice and opportunity for public input in alignment with 42 CFR 431.408(a)(2) and general close-out STC requirements – and is now providing this additional administrative notice informing the public that these changes are now in effect or will be in effect in the near future based on our work with CMS.

Any interested party may submit questions or comments. All questions or comments must be submitted in writing within thirty (30) days of the publication date of this notice and addressed to:

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